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Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER**

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October 2002

**METSO CORPORATION**  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Fabianinkatu 9 A  
P.O.Box 1220  
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(Address of principal executive offices)

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to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes ..... No ....X....



**SAKARI TAMMINEN TO BECOME PRESIDENT & CEO OF RAUTARUUKKI AS FROM  
1 JANUARY 2004**

(Helsinki, Finland, October 22, 2002) – Rautaruukki's Board of Directors has appointed Sakari Tamminen (48), M. Sc. (Econ.), as the company's President & CEO as from 1 January 2004. Mikko Kivimäki, President & CEO of Rautaruukki, is retiring on 1 January 2004.

Sakari Tamminen will become Senior Executive Vice President and Deputy to the President at the latest on 1 May 2003.

Sakari Tamminen is currently employed as Executive Vice President & CFO and as Deputy to the President at Metso Corporation (NYSE: MX; HEX: MEO).

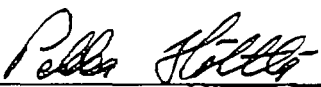
*Metso Corporation is a global supplier of process industry machinery and systems, as well as know-how and aftermarket services. The Corporation's core businesses are fiber and paper technology (Metso Paper), rock and mineral processing (Metso Minerals) and automation and control technology (Metso Automation). In 2001, the net sales of Metso Corporation were EUR 4.3 billion and the personnel totaled approximately 30,000. Metso Corporation is listed on the Helsinki and New York Stock Exchanges.*


## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 23, 2002

METSO CORPORATION

By:   
Pekka Hölttä  
Senior Vice President and  
Corporate Treasurer

By:   
Harri Luoto  
Senior Vice President and  
General Counsel